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This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

IEP workshop agenda takes on a variety of Delta issues Sessions on the Delta smelt, Suisun Marsh, and the ecology of the north Delta will be part of next week's annual Interagency Ecological Program (IEP) workshop. The three-day event will be March 18-20, in Folsom. The Opening Session will include a science action agenda from the Delta Science Program. Online registration has been closed, but onsite registration will be available.



Bay-Delta risks and challenges to be discussed next week

A workshop to discuss the risks and challenges facing the Bay-Delta system will be held next week in Sacramento. The Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program will provide presentations on water supply reliability, ecosystem health, and other topics. Following the workshop, a science panel will summarize the system's situation in a report for policymakers and the public. The workshop will be Monday, March 16.

DPC meeting features
DBW aquatic weed
control presentation

The Delta Protection Commission (DPC) will meet Thursday, March 19, in Rio Vista. The <u>agenda</u> includes a report from the Delta Protection Advisory Committee, and a presentation by the Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) on its plan for aquatic weed control in the Delta. Commissioners will also receive a report on the draft Vision 2030 Strategic Plan.



USACE will host a public workshop on water resource study The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, (USACE) will conduct a <u>public workshop</u> Wednesday March 18, in Sacramento, to discuss its study on long-term, sustainable integrated water resource management in the Sacramento River watershed. The purpose of the workshop is to meet with interested stakeholders, outline the current status and schedule, and answer questions regarding the <u>Central Valley Integrated Flood Management Study</u>.

Public comments on drought barrier projects due March 30

The USACE is evaluating a permit application to construct the <u>emergency drought barriers project</u>, which would result in permanent impacts to portions of <u>Sutter Slough</u>, <u>Steamboat Slough</u>, <u>and False River</u>. If state officials decide to install the barriers because of extreme drought conditions, temporary fill would be installed starting in May and removed in November. Deadline for public comments for the required permit is March 30.

Conservancy will conduct a free grant writing workshop

The Delta Conservancy, in partnership with the <u>Nonprofit Resource Center</u>, will conduct a <u>grant seeking workshop</u> Thursday, March 19, at the Rio Vista Airport. The workshop will show how to research for funding, determine if an organization is ready to apply for grants, and will provide the necessary tools to develop a convincing proposal. Two veteran grant writers will be on hand to provide information.



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